See America First

(Editor's note: We are glad to publish the following article, submitted to us by Mrs. Thos. W. Finch, of Winchelsea, Route 2, Rustburg, Va.).

We, of the Old Dominion are prone to be so satisfied with the beauty of our own beloved state that we sometimes lose sight of the wonders of other sections of our country. We have only recently returned from the most wonderful 16-day trip to the West Coast, realizing the dream of our life. Our daughter, Nelly, heard the siren voice of "Go West, Young Lady" and accepted a position in the Ely, Nevada, Consolidated High School, and we welcomed the opportunity to drive across the country with her, leaving the car with her, and enjoying our first plane flight back home.

From the early morning start in August, to our safe return, the trip was one grand thrill. Crossing the 13 states on our routes, and viewing the interesting sights in each one was, to us, educational and inspiring. From the West Virginia Turnpike, to the famed Golden Gate, we felt proud and enthraled. The lush green states of the Central Plains, the incessant rains during our first days, the dry dusty plains and the desert, across the dangerously beautiful mountains, and on to the broad Pacific, all spoke to us of the great wonders of our magnificent country, the marvelous sights. The Pioneer Village, at Minden, Nebraska, made History come true, and the University of Nebraska caused us to think of our own Mrs. Clara Drinkard who boasts the beautiful structure as her Alma Mater. Then, as we turned north to say "Hello" to "Miss Weda," who is the sister of the late Dr. Rosser, and Mrs. Annie Rosser Swart of Lynchburg, and to enjoy the wonderful natural formations of South Dakota, we were amazed and awed at the sights.

The Badlands, magnificient as the are, made us pause at the desolation and beauty. The Black Hills, with flat valleys between, where ranchers meet 50 acres of land per cow, boast dark rich soil, and in many places are able to produce oats, wheat and hay for the herds of cattle. In Custer National Park, we saw deer, antelope, and buffalo. In Belle Fourche Reservoir, we wondered how the Indians can exist but we had seen hundreds of them in Faith, S. D., where a rodeo was being held, and they looked not only well-fed and well-dressed, but also happy and intelligent. We saw the matchless Passion Play, at Spearfish, and then turned south toward Yellowstone Park. We drove through Deadwood, which is a picture right out of an early history book. An old-fashioned, gold-mining town built between two enormous mountains, it is filled with relics of other days. It reminded us of pictures of Switzerland, with its Chalet-like homes dotted over the sides of the mountains. These are new homes, however, and are lovely. Elevation of Deadwood is 5000 feet, and on a hillside we saw graves of Wild Bill Hickok and Calamity Jane. Paintings of these old-timers adorn the walls of many of the western shops, and one of these shops boasts the original furnishings of an old bar. Here, also, was the grave of a motor-cycle cop who was massacred by the Indians in 1876. We felt keenly the news of the recent fire hazard that threatened that historic town .

The highlight of our trip was Mt. Rushmore, and its gigantic sculpture held me spellbound. "The half has never been told," and as we gazed in awe at the unfinished figures of four of America's Immortals, and learned that the memorial probably will never be completed, we felt that such perfection should not be tampered with . . . and the great artist is gone! From this inspiring spectacle, we turned toward Hot Springs, and passed through deep gorges and felt the intense heat of the dry lands while viewing snow-capped mountains. The roaddides were alive with lovely flowers Indian Paint Brush, Aster, the Blue Gentain (Wyoming's State Flower), and the ever-present Sage Brush.

Yellowstone Park was beautiful beyond our wildest dreams. Bears on every turn, waiting for the "illegal" feeding of tidbits from tourists, greeted us. Nelly took pictures of two little cubs being fed by children in a car. One cub climbed to the top of the car. Needless to say, the children promptly closed the window—but the cub was reluctant to be shoved off so abruptly. There were elk, antelope, buffalo, gopher and prarie dogs. Huge waterfalls and spruce trees made our drive a thing of beauty. But the park held danger! The terrible in, "Mud Cauldron," "Devil's Mouth," and the innumerable, tiny geysers, made my husband say, "Some day there's bound to be a reaction to all this" . . . as evidenced by all the world in the recent and continuous quakes and disaster that followed so closely on our heels. Only a few days after we looked in awe at Old Faithful and Hot Springs with their lovely calcium deposits, the Big Earthquake at Hebgen Lake, just outside the park, shook the equilibrum of all people. Our folks, of course, were concerned about our safety, since they did not know our exact itenerary.

But we were gazing in wonderment at the tremendous Tetons, and their snowy caps. A beautiful drive took us to Great Salt Lake, and Salt Lake City, then total desert for 108 miles, then part desert into Ely, Nevada—our destination. We were already surprised when we saw a beautiful, progressive town of about 7000 population, modern in every respect, with the biggest open pit copper mine in the world, its splendid schools, its Garnet Hill, where we found real garnets in the rough, its thoroughbred horses, its motels—the best we've found on our trip—and its Boston bred people: McArthurs and Stones, if you please, who welcomed us.

Since we were so near sunny California, we were on our way, after resting in Ely. Passing through Austin, a famous old silver mining town, we marveled that it had never become a Ghost town, but remembering its 10,000 population of 1862, it struggles and manages to be a historical landmark. Then to Reno, and across the dangerous, but beautiful Cascades and Sierra Nevads, we reached San Francisco, and the wonderful Pacific. The Freeway almost had us beaten for awhile, but we finally made it, and reached Ely in time for Nelly to attend her first meeting of the Ely Riding Club.

We stayed until our daughter was settled, and then boarded our first plane. Despite the fact that we had a 12-hour delay in Salt Lake City, we reached Lynchburg via our Piedmont Line in a little over a day.

In traveling in different parts of our country, the personal contacts add much to the pleasure of the trip. We found friends everywhere, and though their smiles were subdued when we said, "Hope YOU ALL have a nice trip," we were equally amused at their inimitable, "YOU BET." Helpful people made our trip wonderful. On the West Virginia Turnpike, we had help in the pouring rain. In Dayton, Ohio, we spent the night in a tourist home owned by people from Kentucky, with relatives in Virginia. We passed through a terrible hailstorm in a town called Howe's, with a population of two! We stopped in front of one little store, and though we couldn't see to drive, we saw the smiles at the window. Ground was covered with piles of hailstones, but warm greetings filled us with courage. On our way to Bison, S. D. we planned to get a motel at Faith, The big rodeo was on and not a room was to be had.

At dusk, the hotel hostess directed us to a possibility of a basement room. The room was filled with Rough Riders, but the owner knew "Miss Weda's" husband, George, and took a personal interest in us. Calling a neighbor who was baby sitting for his daughter, and the young wife ing with a stand at the Rodeo, he told us he knew they would take us in. They did, and the young wife who knew "Miss Weda's" daughter-in-law gave us the address of their relatives in Rapid City, where they knew we might have trouble finding quarters on Sunday night. The good Mollers took us in, enabling us to see the Passion Play. In Iowa, we met a most wonderful personage. My husband "hounded" every antique shop in the almost 5000 mile trip, in a thing who he found Miss Miller, and the loveliest handwork I have ever seen. Never married, Miss Miller is leaving her 283-acre farm, her big farm home and furnishings, and her tiny shop to the Children's Home nearby. We marveled at the dear lady who gave us sweet, cold water from her old hand pump, and sold us antiques most reasonably.

While waiting for capricious Old Faithful to collect herself for her 300-foot eruption, we made friends with a nice little family from Arizona. The wife was an Art graduate from Mary Washington College, "Because we like Virginia colleges." Then in Salt Lake City, I met the daughter of Captain McKee of Pulaski, my home town! America is wonderful, but Virginia forever!

Our trip west was superb. Beautiful mysterious sights. Splendid accomodations. Friends from all over, and a wonderful opportunity for our family to see "Big Brother" in good Christian friends and wave "Good-By" from the plane window, glad to be headed east. For, after all, there's no place like the "Old Dominion" and home.

Mrs. Thos. W. Finch
Winchelsea Rt. 2
Rustburg, Virginia

NEW SPONSOR NOTED FOR 4-H RECREATION

The 4-H recreation program is not new, but the donor of some valuable incentive awards is. Next year John Deere of Moline, Ill., takes over the role of national sponsor of awards in this activity.

Virginia 4-H officials at VPI explain that in the recreation program, young people learn to plan their own fun, and the Hungry Hikers club as well as developing their own abilities. While having fun, club members may win a 4-day trip and scholarship, an all-expense trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, a dedicated medal, or other honor. Heretofore in Virginia, awards have been sponsored by the State 4-H Fund. This year's winner of the Chicago trip is Warren Miller of Prince William County. Pen and Pencil set winners are Brett Watson of Charlotte and Dorcas Campbell of Rockbridge.

In the recreation program social recreation, music and drama, arts and crafts, games, and outdoor recreation, nature lore, and folklore all have a place.

Boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 21 are eligible to join a 4-H club. Additional information is available from county agriculture or home demonstration agents.

KNOW THE WEATHER

By E. H. Sims

Is there much difference between winters today and the winters of yesteryear? Were winters years ago really far colder and more severe than today?

Winters of today and those of yesteryear vary surprisingly little. It is true, however, that there is a slow tendency toward warmer winters but this is in fractions of a degree over a period of a year, or years, as the trend continues.

The winters were felt far more in the "old days" because we did not have the efficient heating systems we have today, and other modern conveniences. But the difference between them is very small.

The memory tends to remember the unusual and therefore the unusual or very severe winters of years back are entertained in the memory while the mild ones, or the average ones, are forgotten

Virginia Newspaperman at Iron Curtain

T. Earl Roberts, circulation director of the Norfolk Virginia-Pilot and Ledger-Star, visited Radio Free Europe headquarters recently at Munich, Germany. He is shown here at the Communist Iron Curtain recording his impressions of Radio Free Europe activities. Mr. Roberts, First Vice-President of the International Circulation Managers Association, was one of 60 American leaders who participated in the study tour.

PLAN TO REORGANIZE LOCAL CUB SCOUT PACK

There will be held at the Elementary School Auditorium at 7:30 P. M. on Friday, Nov. 20, a meeting relative to reorganizing the Cub Scouts. Mr. William Quick, Scout Executive, will be present to discuss the Cub Scout Organization and probably will have slides or a film that will emphasize the many benefits your boy can derive from being a Cub Scout.

Mr. J. M. Cobbs, Jr., Vice President of Appomattox Garment, will be present to assume the duties of Cub Pack Master. The Appomattox Junior Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the newly organized Cub Pack.

"Cubbing" offers many advantages to your boy in guidance training and character building. If your son is eight, nine or ten years of age, please arrange to be present at this meeting.

WEEKLY REPORT OF TOWN MAYOR

To the citizens of the Town of Appomattox:

The regular meeting of the Town Council was held on Monday, Nov. 1959 in the Town Office. The regular order of business was transacted.

The Council at this time decided to extend the "holiday" on the parking meters to Jan. 1, 1960. I want to thank all of you wonreful Town and County citizens for the fine cooperation that you have given the Town Officials toward the parking problem during the "parking meter holiday." After talking with most of the merchants I sincerely feel that this has helped being back some business to our town which was temporarily lost. I plead with you to give the Town your continued cooperation.

The problem of the improper connection of gutters to the town sewer has come up again. There is a standing ordanace on the books which prohibits the connecting of gutters from any residence or business establishment to the town sewer. I would sincerely appreciate it if every property owner would see that their premises are checked and if this condition exists please have it corrected without delay.

Again I would like to ask everyone to have all stoves and furnaces checked to see that they do not become overheated in order to avoid every fire hazard that is possible.

We are most fortunate in having one of the best water systems in the panies in the State and they are ready and willing to render service to the Town. I want to do everything we can to make their job as easy as possible by eliminating any fire hazard that we know of.

Mr. E. T. Mitchell has willingly assumed the responsibility of collecting the Christmas contributions for these faithful men, I certainly hope that everyone will have a part in this. Regardless of whether the gift is large or small it will be greatly appreciated and long remembered by our firemen.

Let me take this opportunity to again, in behalf of the citizens of the town employees for the fine service they are rendering by sweeping Church and Main streets on Saturday night. It is our job and responsibility to keep the town properly disposing of any trash and debris that we have. Let's everyone work toward the goal of making Appomattox" the most clean and neat town in the state.

Your counsel and advice on all public matters is welcomed at all times.

Sincerely,
C .T. Moses, Jr.

Local Man Participates In Marine Maneuvers

ALMERIA, SPAIN (PHTNC)—Marine Pfc. George C. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Smith of Route 2, Appomattox, took part in an amphibious landing exercise, Nov. 15-18, at Almeria, at Almeria, Spain, with members of the Third Battalion, Eighth Marine Regiment.

This unit is the amphibious striking arm of the U. S. Sixth Fleet on duty in the Mediterranean area.

The exercise at Almeria demonstrated the Marine Corps' vertical assault doctrine, employing helicopters along with conventional landing craft to assault targets on a mythical enemy-held beach.

PRIMARY S. C. A.

The third meeting of the Primary S. C. A. was held on November 13, 1959, in the Appomattox Elementary School auditorium at 10:00 o'clock. The meeting was called to order by the president. The flags were presented . The secretary read the minutes. Miss Williams had an announcement.

Mrs. Mildred Burkey's room gave a Chinese program.

John Maddox, Reporter

MISS BURKEY'S 4-H CLUB

Miss Burkey's 4-H Club met on Nov. 12, 1959 at 9 o'clock. Mr. Jim Smith explained the duties of 4-H club officers.

Officers elected were: President, Roger Slagle; Vice President, larry Smith; Secretary, Tommy Wilhoit; Reporter, Jimmy Beamer; and Song Leaders, Judy Goodrich and Suzanne Guill.—Jimmy Beamer, Reporter.

Letters to The Editor

(Note: Rev. Colon Godwin was a who has been so kind teacher at A. H. S. and pastor of the me. May the Lord bless Spout Spring Baptist Church. He successful business and has family are now serving in world. mission work in Africa. We appreciate the following letter).

November 10, 1959
Mr .and Mrs. Calvin Robinson
Times-Virginian,
Appomattox, Virginia
Dear friends:

We received our Aug. 27th issue of your paper today. I guess it's hard to imagine how a paper that old could be appreciated very much, but I assure you that we are very thrilled to receive it. Please don't let our subscription expire. We receive many letters from many of our friends there, but always there is news in the paper that they have forgotten to relate to us.

It has been more than a year now since our arrival in Africa. Was a year October 8 to be exact. What a swift year it has been. We realize now how little we can do in a three year term. You know that we serve here 3 years and in the States one year etc, until retirement.

Mr. Godwin's work is as Science Master at our Sunday School here. His first task was to design and build a science building for the school. This has been a real challenge. First, he had to wait to visit Secondary Schools all over Ghana to see what would be a satisfactory building according to standards here. Next he had to learn new termanology for equipment etc. since it would all come from the U. N. and they have different names for things.

The science building is now almost completed and it is a beautiful building. It was built by Swiss contractors. Now Mr. Godwin has also to learn to teach using the British education system which is vastly different from yours. In addition to the science work, Colon is Director of the School Church, house master for a dormitory etc. There's always plenty to do around a boarding school.

As for me I teach Lark and Leo every morning from 8:00 to 12:00. Leo is a second grader this year and Lark 3rd . We use the Calvert Correspondent Course sent from Baltimore, Maryland, I couldn't imagine how it would be to teach our own children in the home and I can truthfully say that it is a real privilege. In many ways. Of all the children will enjoy public school when they get home. Our youngest child, Robin, is only 3 so I don't teach her yet. She has adjusted very well to life overseas. Besides I do not teach in the Sunday School but am house mother for the girls and teach S. S. and am Training Union Director. I also go out to a nearby village for weekly W.M.U. meetings. This has been a real joy because it gives me direct contact with the common people and a chance to practice my limited vocabulary in the vernacular "Twi" (I pronounced as e). We have a "Twi" lesson for one hour 5 days a week. One of our African staff members teaches us. I also fix bottles for a little African baby whose mother died at birth. The grandmother brings the baby for me to feed. I imagine it is helpful without a mother for they cannot afford the milk and don't know how to fix the bottles. Give our regards to all there.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Colon L. Godwin,

Mr. Editor:

Dear sir, please give me a little space in your paper. I want to try to express my love to the public in a Thanksgiving letter.

Dear friends and co-workers, we are glad and thankful to see the beginning of November 1959. So many that started with us are gone. I am thankful to the Lord some of us are still blessed to be here. The Lord knows best but we have got to go some day, so let us all strive to be ready when our call comes. I am not well but I am glad to be here. I ask the community and friends to please pray for me, I pray for myself and I believe I can make it. I pray not only for myself but for one and all, We are thankful for the little town and the business people. May the Lord bless us with much success. I thank the Lord for all our friend, Dr. O'Brien, who has been so kind and helpful to me. May he live long to do much good in the great work. May the Lord bless his home and family.

I am also thankful for Dr. Spencer

WANTED

A big crowd to attend the

Harvest Festival

APPOMATTOX HIGH SCHOOL
Friday, November 20th,
5:30—9:30 P. M.

HAM & TURKEY SUPPERS
$1.25

HOT DOGS — HAMBURGERS

BIG CLIMAX
Men's Beauty Contest

Fun for everyone—Fish Pond, Cake Walks, Game Rooms

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Tobacco Markets Set To Open On Monday

Over 91,000 Have Visited Appomattox Park This Year

The year 1959 is turning out to be the banner year for attendance at the Appomattox Court House National Historical Park. Figures released today at the office of H. A. Garney, National Park Service Superintendent, revealed that for the calendar year 1959, to date, there have been a total of 91,700 visitors.

This compares with the 78,900 of the 1958-1959 calendar year and with 84,500 for the calendar year 1957.

Thus far in 1959, there have been 24,161 persons to visit the McLean House. This figure does not include "out-of-season" groups." Total admission fees at the McLean House this year have been $3,488.60.

This information would seem to give firm indication that there is not only a sustained, but a growing interest in "The Appomattox Story." The register books show visitors as having come to Appomattox from all over America and many foreign countries.

The approaching Civil War Centennial Years will doubtless add to the interest in Appomattox as the "Peace Shrine" of America. A prominent Tourist Official was here recently and told the Times-Virginian that with proper and adequate promotion of Centennial events, Appomattox should be able to fill over 250 motor court and hotel units each and every night. The opportunity is challenging, and knocking at the door for local promotion and enterprise. The proven fact that approximately 100,000 persons per year are coming to see the last scenes of the Civil War is more than adequate proof that the "Story" is important to Appomattox, and demands our very best efforts to make these visitors pleased with their stay here.

RED CROSS CHAPTER EXPRESSES THANKS.

Appomattox came through with flying colors Friday, when a special Visitation of the Red Cross Blood mobile was held here and a total of 132 pints of blood were donated, to bring the county's yearly donation total in line with its quota. Previously, in April 78 pints had been donated, and in August only 69 pints. This was by far below the county quota, and endangered the entire program. But Appomattox came on, last Friday and result was most gratifying at a special visitation, and now the county has a total of 259 pints for the year.

R. V. Leffers, county chairman of the Blood Program, said, "There are just too many people who helped us to undertake to single out individuals for commendations, but we want to thank one and all, including those who came to be donors but were not accepted. All hands did a beautiful job for this great program, and we are very happy about the results."

Chapter Chairman, William A. Hunter, says "I wish to thank the people of Appomattox County for their response to this emergency need of our Red Cross Chapter." The fine results of the Bloodmobile visit show that the people realize the importance of keeping this program active in the country. Mr. Hunter said. He also added, "I also want to thank the people for the funds donated in this emergency drive." He said that $467.50 has been received, which is approximately half enough to finance the different programs of the chapter for the remainder of the fiscal year through June, 1960. These funds are needed greatly to put the chapter back on a sound financial basis, and it is hoped that all interested in keeping the chapter active will send in a donation.

F. H. A.

The Future Homemakers of America met Thursday, Nov. 19, in the A. H. S. auditorium. The devotion were given by Fay Martin. Mrs. Joyce Vaughan was the guest speaker. Her talk was "How Home Economics Has Helped Me in the Business World and in Home Making." After the program there was a business meeting. The meeting was closed with the club ritual.

Alice Fay Thornhill, president, of the chapter, was chosen girl of the month for November, for her contribution to her chapter.

Reporter: Jean Brown.

DEMONSTRATION ON CHRISTMAS LIGHTING

A demonstration on Outdoor Lighting Equipment and Christmas Decorations will be given at a meeting Monday, Nov. 30, at 3 P. M., at the Elementary School auditorium. Mr. Kenneth W. Lane and Mrs. Audrey S. Robinson, representatives from the Virginia Electric and Power Company, Farmville, will conduct this demonstration.

This meeting is being sponsored by the Garden Club in preparation for the Outdoor Christmas Decoration Contest they will sponsor in cooperation with Vepco. Vepco will give valuable prizes for the first, three winners, plus entering one Appomattox winner in the National G. E. Christmas Lighting Contest. Further details of the contest will be publicized later.

Every homeowner is invited to see this demonstration and plan now to enter the Christmas Decoration Contest.

CO. RURAL PROPERTIES TO BE MAPPED

Working under the Economic Land Classification Project of the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station, Z. W. Hall, Jr., and A. J. Harris will be visiting rural portions of Appomattox County during the coming months. They are carrying out properties outside the incorporated limits of Appomattox and Pamplin for background for a map and bulletins to be published by the Experiment Station at V. P. I.

As completely as practicable, each separate ownership in the county will be identified and listed on a map. Inquiries will determine whether the property is either (1) a farm, (2) a part time farm, (3) a residential unit, or (4) a piece of timber land.

In the first two cases the economic quality of the unit will be recorded. From these field sheets a county map will be prepared showing the areas which are primarily forested and those in which farms or Agricultural units of various economic levels are found. The accompanying bulletin will trace, briefly, the historical background leading up to the present situation and will present other valuable features of today's Appomattox County with particular reference to how its citizens make their livings.

Similar bulletins have already been published for four counties in Virginia, and are available on request, either through the county agent or from the Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station at Blacksburg. In a number of counties these bulletins are used as reference sources in the schools and they have been found useful by farm operators, real estate agencies, credit investigators and others who wish only to know more about the area in which they live.

H. D. CLUBS PLAN LEADER TRAINING

An important leader training meeting for Home Demonstration Club leaders in the clothing project will be held on Thursday, December 3, at 10:00 A. M. in the home demonstration office. This is the first leader training meeting on the 1960 club program, and claders who are to assist with the January and February club deomnstrations are urged to attend.

Assisting in training of the leaders will be Mr. Dean Martin, Dress Designer, Stratton's Fabric Shop, Lynchburg, who will discuss dressing for the occasion and becoming styles. He will also have materials to illustrate his discussion.

Miss Betty McCliskey, Extension Clothing Specialist, will provide materials and assist with the demonstration.

JAYCEE CHRISTMAS BANQUET

The annual Jaycee Christmas banquet will be held on Dec. 10, at 6:30 P. M. at the Elementary School cafeteria.

Appomattox is a growing town.

Returns To Virginia

. . . Rev. J. Marshall Walker

A former pastor of Liberty Baptist Church, Appomattox, the Rev J. Marshall Walker, now of Miami, Florida, has accepted a call to become pastor of the Bedford, Va., Baptist Church. He was pastor here from 1946 to 1950. He will terminate his pastorate at the Southside Baptist Church in Miami the first of the year, to return to Virginia. The Rev. Walker was a popular and successful pastor in Appomattox, and his many friends will be delighted to hear of his return to this area.

Legion Plans New Memorial

The regular meeting of American Legion Post 104, Appomattox, was held in the Legion Home Monday night, with Post Commander Clifford Harvey, presiding. Invocation was presented by T. C. Harvey, Jr.

Primary business consisted of the Legion sponsoring a project, spearheaded by Sheriff D. T. Robertson, to erect a permanent War Memorial Paque in place of the one now at the court house. A committee was appointed to work out matters and to contact the various clubs in town and ask for their cooperation in obtaining names of eligible veterans. It is understood that the county will pay for the materials and Sheriff Robertson will do the work of erecting the Memorial at no cost.

The next meeting will be a joint one with the Legion Auxiliary, on Monday, Dec. 14, at the Legion Club Home. Speaker will be Mr. John Andrew, Director of The Patrick Henry Boys Plantation at Red Hill in Charlotte County. A covered dish supper will be served.

It is urged that all members who have not paid their membership dues to date please do so now.

Park Officials Here Sunday

Appomattox will be the rendezvous this Sunday morning for the visitation of about 55 Superintendents of the National Park Service, who will gather at the Appomattox Court House National Historical Park.

The Superintendents will come from areas all over the nation administered by the National Park Service, Among them will be Superintendents from Yosemite, Hawaii, Grand Canyon, Vicksburg, Big Bend, Natchez Trace, Carlsbad Caverns, etc. The group is en route to a Visitors Service Conference to be held in the Williamsburg Area, beginning Nov. 29, and extending to Dec. 3, with Colonial National Historical Park, consisting of Jamestown, Yorktown, and Colonial Parkway, as hosts.

The Superintendents will be at Old Appomattox Court House Sunday from 10:00 to 10:30 A. M.

CENTENNIAL COM. LISTS OBJECTIVES

To honor the courage and devotion of the men and women who fought and endured throughout the Civil War is number one in a list of eight purposes adopted by the Virginia Civil War Commission for the 1961-65 Centennial.

The commission was created by the General Assembly last year to plan for Virginia's observance of the 100th anniversary of the war. In releasing its purposes today, the Commission stated it was doing so to correct an erroneous impression on the part of some that the Centennial is to be a' 'celebration" or a commercial venture.

The commission noted in its resolution that the General Assembly, in the act establishing the Commission, stated it to be "the policy of the state to perpetuate a knowledge of the deeds and traditions of a valiant people, who through the terrible ordeals of a great war, forged one nation, undivided, under God."

The eight purposes adopted by the Commission are:

1. To honor the courage and devotion of the unnumbered thousands of men and women who fought so valiantly and endured so bravely during the Civil War;

2. To stimulate interest in this period and to encourage further study of the Civil War, believing that honest research will bring out wounds rather than reopen them;

3. To educate the public concerning the campaigns, the shrines, the personalities and the human story of the War in Virginia and in the faith that knowledge of truth will lead to understanding and not resentment;

4. To preserve the monuments, the graves, the relics and the ruins of the wartime past to remind this and future generations of their link with history;

5. To proclaim Virginia's true role in the historic struggle, emphasizing the following points:

(a) Virginia, through its call for the Peace Convention in early 1861 and through other efforts at conciliation, stood for peace.

(b) Virginians believed they fought for freedom as General Robert E. Lee declared, "Soldiers, you tread with no unequal step the road by which your fathers marched through sufferings, privation and blood to independence";

(c) Virginia rose from the depth of defeat, following again the example of that same leader, who called for an end of bitterness, the restoration of the country and the re-establishment of peace;

6. To encourage the American people to rededicate themselves to the observance of the highest moral standards and to the service of their country to no less an extent than our fathers dedicated themselves to their causes.

7. To inspire all people to follow the guidance of God in the spiritual crises of life as did some of the greatest heroes of that day;

8. To point out the common heritage and to emphasize the unity of this nation which has developed since the dreadful conflict.

It is a nobler fate to be envied than to be pitied. —Pindar.

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BOWLING LEAGUE

Team	W	L
Garment Co.	17	4
Fire Co.	16	5
General Electric	16	5
Transco	10	11
Gambusters	8	13
State Police	7	14
J. C.'s	6	16

Young Farmers
High team: Garment Co., 1639.
High game: W. Haley, 152.
High set: W. Haley, 402.

Local Marine in Training Exercise

Camp Lejeune, N. C. (FHTNC) - Marine Acting Cpl. Leonard A. McCormick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis S. McCormick, of Route 4, Appomattox, Va., participated in "Trailex 4-59," an amphibious training exercise involving units of the Second Marine Division at Camp Lejeune, N. C.

Mrs. Engledove On Program

Mrs. Giles C. Engledove, of Richmond, formerly of Appomattox, will be one of top-panking Virginia women's club officials, conducting a workshop on parliamentary law in Lynchburg Monday at 11 A. M. Mrs. Engledove is vice-president of the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs, She is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Atwood, of Appomattox, and sister of Mrs. L. L. Gayle.

Dial 2811 with Personals.

Try a Classified Adv.

The chant of the tobacco auctioneer will ring out next week as the dark-fired tobacco warehouses open for the 1959 selling season. Opening date is Monday, November 30.

Sales will be held each week up to the Christmas holiday season, and then re-open in January to complete the selling of the current crop.

The estimate is that as to quality, this year's crop is going to be outstanding. A good growing season, and good curing conditions, have brought about a situation in which growers hope to carry one of their very best harvests to market. The leaf may be a little on the long side in some cases.

Growers will be watching opening rales for price indications, Chances are that the offering prices will be in line with those of last year.

Yield per acre this year was one of the best. Appomattox County is the largest tobacco county in the Virginia Dark-leaf Belt. Some estimates have been made that the yield this year is on an average of from 100 to 200 pounds per acre above last year.

Dark tobacco is still one of the major sources of income for Appomattox farmers, and the opening of the marketing season gives impetus to business. Warehouses for the belt are located in Farmville, Lynchburg, Bedford and Blackstone.

MOISTURE CONTENT

As the time for marketing the 1959 crop of fire-cured tobacco approaches, C. D. Lewis, chairman of the ASC County Committee, reminded growers of a serious situation which they faced.

It concerns the marketing of "wet" tobacco. Always Virginia producers of fire-cured tobacco, Types 21 have brought the top 1960 market with a higher moisture content than that of competing Types 22 and 23, produced in Kentucky and Tennessee, Mr. Lewis said. Yet weight losses in packing Type 21 tobacco are becoming a major concern of the industry and the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Buyers of fire-cured tobacco, about half of which goes to foreign markets, have been paying from $8.-75 to $9.00 per hundred pounds more for the Virginia Type 21 than for the Kentucky - Tennessee Types 22 and 23, on a dried and packed basis.

With a diminishing market for all fire-cured tobacco, it is not likely that buyers will continue paying a premium for Type 21.

Chairman Lewis is urging all dark tobacco growers to be alert to the situation which they are facing and to consult the County Agent and ASC county office for detailed information.

SENIOR CLASS PRESENTS PLAY

The Senior Class of Appomattox High School will present a play, entitled, "Skidding," written by Aurania Rouverol, on Dec. 3, at 8:00 P. M. It will be produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, of New York. The cast is as follows:

Aunt Milly, Audrey Evans
Andy, Bill Caldwell
Mrs. Hardy, Jo Ann Beamer
Judge Hardy, Charles Gills
Grandpa Hardy, Lyle Garrette
Estelle Hardy Campbell, Linda Hunter
Marion Hardy, Carole Couch
Wayne Trenton, III, Myron Richardson
Myra Hardy Wilcox, June Martin
Mr. Stubbins, Brian Thomas.
Michael Srougi will open the evening's entertainment by introducing the characters. The public is invited and urged to attend.

High School P.-T. A. Gives Vote of Thanks

"We wish to take this opportunity to thank those who in any way cooperated in making the recent Harvest Festival held at the Appomattox High School, the success it was. To all those who worked so hard and so diligently, donated food, articles, and their time, we extend our heartfelt appreciation. The proceeds from the Harvest Festival will be used to help defray the expense of the new stage curtains which were installed in the high scobol auditorium last spring. A final accounting has not yet been made, but indications at present are that the Festival proceeds will amount to approximately five hundred dollars."

Appomattox High School P.-T. A.